

REMARKS

FIG. 1, the Specification, and claims 1, 8 and 9 are amended herein, and new claims 15 and 16 are added. Claims 1-6 and 8-16 are pending and under consideration.

An interview was conducted between the Examiner and the Applicant's representative on December 10, 2009. The Examiner is thanked for his time. The Examiner indicated that the claim amendments discussed during the interview appeared to distinguish over the art of record. These amendments are presented herein.

The present amendments to the specification and drawings are presented to improve the form of the application.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

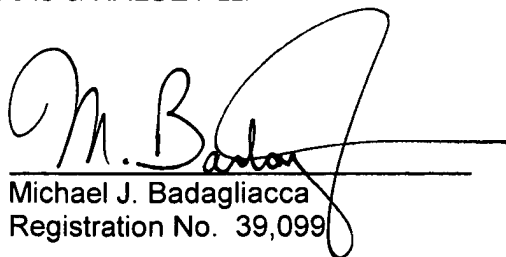
Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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